

# MacApp 2.0 Object and Method Reference

This chapter describes the object classes that existed in MacApp 1.1. If you need information on classes and methods not described here, refer to other release notes and to the source code.

Each object description in this chapter contains the following elements:

- whether you customize the object type, instantiate it, or call its methods
- notes about the object type
- the chain of ancestors leading to the object type
- field declarations and explanations
- descriptions of the methods for each object type

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## Important

Complete information about the implementation of each method is not given in this chapter. If you need further details about any method, refer to the MacApp source code.

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## TObject

**Customize:** usually  
**Instantiate:** never  
**Call methods:** usually

TObject is the ultimate ancestor for all objects in MacApp.

TObject is documented here primarily for background information. It is an abstract object type that exists so that other object types can inherit characteristics from it, and thus share them.

The only TObject methods you might override are Free and Clone.

**Ancestors:** none

### Fields

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none

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## Clone

FUNCTION TObject.Clone: TObject;

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**The return value** An exact copy of the calling object

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**Purpose** To clone dependent objects referred to by the fields of an object as well as cloning the object itself. An object is dependent on another object when the second object has the only (or the only important) reference to the first object. Dependency is a relatively vague condition; when you override this method, you need to determine what objects are dependent on SELF.

**The default version** Calls ShallowClone, and thus clones only the object itself

**Override** Sometimes

**Call** Sometimes

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## Free

PROCEDURE TObject.Free;

**Purpose** To free the calling object and any dependent objects referred to by its fields. An object is dependent on another object when the second object has the only (or the only important) reference to the first object. Dependency is a relatively vague condition; when you override this method, you need to determine what objects are dependent on SELF.

**The default version** Calls ShallowFree

**Override** Often. Your version should free any dependent objects you have added for your customization and then call INHERITED Free so that any ancestor methods can free other dependent objects. The chain of INHERITED calls leads to TObject.Free, which calls TObject.ShallowFree, which frees SELF.

**Call** Often

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## ShallowClone

FUNCTION TObject.ShallowClone: TObject;

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**The return value** text

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**Purpose** This is the lowest-level method for copying an object.

**Called by** TObject.Clone

**The default version** Calls HandToHand, an Inside Macintosh routine, to copy the object data

**Override** Never

**Call** Rarely

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## **ShallowFree**

PROCEDURE TObject.ShallowFree;

<b>Purpose</b>	This is the lowest-level method for freeing an object.
<b>Called by</b>	TObject.Free
<b>The default version</b>	Frees the calling object by calling DisposHandle
<b>Override</b>	Never
<b>Call</b>	Rarely

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## TevtHandler

**Customize:** rarely

**Instantiate:** never

**Call methods:** sometimes

TevtHandler is documented here primarily for background information. It is an abstract object type that exists so that other object types can inherit characteristics from it, and thus share them.

The primary importance of TevtHandler is that it allows the different objects that handle events to be stored in a single list.

**Ancestors:** TObject

### Fields

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**fIdlePriority:** INTEGER; A priority value for the DoIdle method of this object. If fIdlePriority is not greater than zero, the default Idle method never calls this object's DoIdle method. The default Idle method calls the DoIdle methods of any handlers with fIdlePriority values greater than zero. (The default value is 0.)

**fNextHandler:** TevtHandler; The next handler in the chain of event handlers, or NIL

**fIdleFreq:** LONGINT; Defines the minimum number of ticks (each tick = 1/60th of a second) that must elapse before this object's DoIdle gets called. A value of zero means that DoIdle gets called as often as possible (assuming that the object instance is in the target chain or cohandler chain). A value of kMaxIdleTime means the object's DoIdle never gets called. The default value is kMaxIdleTime

**fLastIdle:** LONGINT; The tick at which this object's DoIdle method was last called.

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## DoHandleEvent

```
FUNCTION TEvtHandler.DoHandleEvent(nextEvent: PEventRecord; VAR commandToPerform: TCommand): BOOLEAN;
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**nextEvent** A pointer to the new event

**commandToPerform** A command object that will perform the action indicated by the event or gNoChanges, if the action has already been done or the event resulted in no command

**The return value** Indicates whether or not the event has been handled

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**Purpose** To handle an alien event

**Called by** TApplication.HandleAlienEvent. TApplication.HandleAlienEvent implements the cohandler chain.

**The default version** Returns FALSE

**Override** You always override this method when you create a cohandler. A cohandler is an event handler that is not in the target chain and is not a view, window, document, application, print handler, or command object. You create cohandlers to handle alien events, which are generally asynchronous events like network events. Your implementation of DoHandleEvent should return TRUE if it handles the event and, otherwise, return FALSE.

**Call** Never

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## DoIdle

```
PROCEDURE TEvtHandler.DoIdle(phase: IdlePhase);
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**phase** Whether idle is just beginning, is continuing, or is ending. The declaration of IdlePhase is

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IdlePhase = (idleBegin, idleContinue, idleEnd);
```

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**Purpose** To do idle-time tasks. This method is called for event handlers only when fIdleFreq ticks have elapsed—but only when the handler is in the target or cohandler chain.

**Called by** TApplication.Idle

**The default version** Does nothing

**Override** When an object requires idle-time processing.

**Call** Never

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## DoKeyCommand

```
FUNCTION TEvtHandler.DoKeyCommand(ch: CHAR; VAR info: EventInfo): TCommand;
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<b>ch</b>	A character typed at the keyboard
<b>Info</b>	The event information record that contains the key event. You can modify this parameter if you want.
<b>The return value</b>	A command object

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<b>Purpose</b>	To handle "key commands," which are simply events resulting from keyboard typing
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.ObeyEvent
<b>The default version</b>	Calls DoKeyCommand for the next handler in the list of event handlers. If there is no next handler, the default method returns gNoChanges.
<b>Override</b>	Sometimes. If you override this method, generally for your descendant of TView or TDocument, you should return a command object that can respond appropriately to the character. (See "TCommand" in this chapter for more information.) For simple editing, this method is implemented in the TView unit. (See the "Using TView" recipe in the Cookbook chapter or the TTE typingCommand section of this chapter for more information.)
<b>Call</b>	Sometimes. You call this method if you override it, by calling INHERITED DoKeyCommand. Otherwise, you never call it.

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## DoMenuCommand

```
FUNCTION TEvtHandler.DoMenuCommand(aCmdNumber: CmdNumber): TCommand;
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<b>aCmdNumber</b>	The command number for the menu command chosen by the user
<b>The return value</b>	A command object or, if there are no changes, gNoChanges

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<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.MenuEvent when a menu command is chosen by the user. (A Command-key combination is usually equivalent to a menu command.)
<b>The default version</b>	Calls fNextHandler.DoMenuCommand if there is a next handler. If there is no next handler, the default returns gNoChanges and, if the code was compiled with debugging on, prints an error message.
<b>Override</b>	Often. You override this method to handle menu commands you have defined. In general, you return a command object to carry out the action of the command; if the command is simple and does not change the document, you can return gNoChanges.
<b>Call</b>	Often. You call this method if you override it, by calling INHERITED DoMenuCommand. Otherwise, you never call it.

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## DoMultiClick

FUNCTION TEvtHandler.DoMultiClick(lastDownPt, newDownPt: Point): BOOLEAN;

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<b>lastDownPt</b>	The next-to-last point where the mouse button was pressed
<b>newDownPt</b>	The most recent point where the mouse button was pressed
<b>The return value</b>	TRUE if lastDownPt and newDownPt are close enough to be considered a double click

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<b>Purpose</b>	To test whether a new mouse click should be counted as an additional click in gClickCount. It should return TRUE if newDownPt is close enough to lastDownPt to be considered the same point.
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.CountClicks
<b>The default version</b>	Calls fNextHandler.DoMultiClick if there is a next handler. If there is no next handler, it tests whether the difference between the two points is less than or equal to five pixels.
<b>Override</b>	Rarely. If you want to change the standard for what is considered a new multiple click, you can override TApplication.DoMultiClick. The default version always calls fNextHandler.DoMultiClick unless fNextHandler is NIL, which is true only for the application object.
<b>Call</b>	Never

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## DoSetupMenus

PROCEDURE TEvtHandler.DoSetupMenus;

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<b>Purpose</b>	To adorn and enable (or disable) all menu commands handled by this event handler. This method is called before menus are displayed when the menus may have changed since the last time it was called. It is also called after every event is processed.
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.SetupTheMenus and when an immediate descendant's method calls INHERITED DoSetupMenus
<b>The default version</b>	Calls DoSetupMenus for the next event handler in the list of event handlers. (TEvtHandler is not responsible for any menu commands.)
<b>Override</b>	Sometimes. You must override this method if you define any menu commands. In general, you override this method for any object types for which you override DoMenuCommand, and you handle the same menu commands in DoMenuCommand and DoSetupMenus for a given object type.  When you override this method, you must begin your method by calling INHERITED DoSetupMenus, so that MacApp can set up the menus first. Then, you use the global procedures Enable and EnableCheck to enable any menu commands that can currently be used or to disable any that cannot be used. (EnableCheck, like Enable, can enable or disable menu commands. EnableCheck also can add or remove a check mark next to a menu item.) You can also adorn menus in other ways. See the "Changing Menu Appearance and Function" recipe in the Cookbook for more detailed information.
<b>Call</b>	Sometimes. You always call this method when you override it.

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## IEvtHandler

PROCEDURE TEvtHandler.IEvtHandler(itsNextHandler: TEvtHandler);

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<b>itsNextHandler</b>	The next handler in the list of event handlers, or NIL
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.IApplication, TDocument.IDocument, TView.IView, and TPrintHandler.IPrintHandler to initialize an event-handler object
<b>The default version</b>	Sets the value of fIdleFreq to kMaxIdleTime, sets fLastIdle to zero, and sets fNextHandler to itsNextHandler
<b>Override</b>	Never
<b>Call</b>	You call this method only if you declare immediate descendants of TEvtHandler.

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## Terminate

PROCEDURE TEvtHandler.Terminate;

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<b>Purpose</b>	To handle termination tasks for an event handler
<b>The default version</b>	Does nothing
<b>Override</b>	Sometimes
<b>Call</b>	Never. The TApplication and TPrintHandler implementations of this method are called by MacApp.

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# TApplication

**Customize:** always  
**Instantiate:** never  
**Call methods:** always

The application object controls the overall application. In other words, it implements methods that apply to the application as a whole rather than to an individual document or window.

You always customize TApplication to implement your application.

**Ancestors:** TObject, TEvtHandler, TApplication

## Fields

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**fIdleFreq:** LONGINT; Defines the minimum number of ticks (each tick = 1/60th of a second) that must elapse before this object's DoIdle gets called. A value of zero means that DoIdle gets called as often as possible (assuming that the object instance is in the target chain or cohandler chain). A value of kMaxIdleTime means the object's DoIdle never gets called. The default value is kMaxIdleTime

**fNextHandler:** TEvtHandler; The next handler in the chain of event handlers, or NIL. Inherited from TEvtHandler.

\* **Note:** Other fields are inherited but are never used. TApplication declares no new fields. Many global variables are used like fields of the application object.

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## AboutToLoseControl

PROCEDURE TApplication.AboutToLoseControl;

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<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.HandleSystemEvent, TApplication.PostHandleEvent (when the user clicks in a nonapplication window), and TApplication.Run (just before the end)
<b>The default version</b>	Commits the last command and writes the contents of the Clipboard to the desk scrap (if necessary)
<b>Override</b>	Sometimes. You can override this method to do other tasks necessary before the application loses control.
<b>Call</b>	Never

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## AddFreeWindow

```
PROCEDURE TApplication.AddFreeWindow(aWindow: TWindow);
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**aWindow**                      A window object

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**Purpose**                        To add a window to the free window list. A free window is one that belongs to the application instead of to a document. (An example is the palette window in MacPaint.)

**Called by**                    TWindow.InstallDocument

**The default version**        Calls gFreeWindowList.AddLast(aWindow)

**Override**                    Never

**Call**                         Rarely

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## ClaimClipboard

```
PROCEDURE TApplication.ClaimClipboard(clipView: TView);
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**clipView**                    The Clipboard view created to show the Clipboard contents

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**Called by**                    The application to insert the given view in the Clipboard

**Override**                    Rarely

**Call**                         You always call this method for a Cut or Copy command, unless you don't implement cutting and pasting in your application.

See "The Clipboard" in the Cookbook for more information.

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## CloseWmgrWindow

PROCEDURE TApplication.CloseWmgrWindow(aWmgrWindow: WindowPtr);

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**aWmgrWindow**                      The Window Manager pointer for a window that is being closed

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**Called by**                              TApplication.DoMenuCommand (if the user choose the Close command) and TApplication.HandleMouseDown (if the mouse press was in the close box) and TApplication.Close (when the application is terminated).

**The default version**                      Checks whether the window is a desk accessory window and, if it is, calls CloseDeskAcc (an Inside Macintosh procedure) to close it. If it is not a desk accessory window, this method checks whether there is a window object for this window and, if there is, calls its CloseByUser method. Otherwise, it calls HideWindow (an Inside Macintosh procedure). It signals failure with err = 0 if the user cancels for some reason.

**Override**                                Rarely

**Call**                                      Never

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## CommitLastCommand

PROCEDURE TApplication.CommitLastCommand;

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**Called by**                                TApplication.AboutToLoseControl, TApplication.CheckDeskScrap, TApplication.PerformCommand, TDocument.Close, TDocument.Revert, and TDocument.Save.

**The default version**                      Commits and frees the last command (gLastCommand) and changes the text for the Undo command to show these there is no current undoable command

**Override**                                Rarely

**Call**                                      Never

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## CountClicks

FUNCTION TApplication.CountClicks(aPDownEvent: PEventRecord): INTEGER;

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**aPDownEvent** A pointer to the event record for a mouse-down event

**The return value** The current number of multiple clicks

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**Called by** TApplication.HandleMouseDown

**The default version** Calls gTarget.DoMultiClick to see whether the new mouse press should be considered an additional multiclick. If so, it increments gClickCount. Otherwise, it resets gClickCount to 1.

**Override** Rarely

**Call** Never

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## DeleteFreeWindow

PROCEDURE TApplication.DeleteFreeWindow(windowToDelete: TWindow);

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**windowToDelete** A member of the free window list

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**Purpose** To remove a window from the free window list. A free window is one that belongs to the application instead of to a document. (An example is the palette window in MacPaint.)

**Called by** TWindow.Free and TWindow.InstallDocument

**The default version** Calls gFreeWindowList.Delete(windowToDelete)

**Override** Never

**Call** Rarely

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## DoCommandKey

FUNCTION TApplication.DoCommandKey(ch: CHAR; VAR info: EventInfo): TCommand; OVERRIDE;

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**ch** The character of the key that was held down along with the Command key

**info** The event record

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**Purpose** To handle events in which a key is pressed along with the Command key as a Command-key equivalent of a menu command

**Called by** TApplication.HandleKeyDownEvent

**The default version** Calls SetupTheMenus and MenuEvent unless this is a repeated command-key combination or if gRepeatcmd is FALSE

**Override** Rarely. You can override this method to implement your own Command-key commands or to implement key commands in your own way. Note that you need do nothing with this method for Command-key combinations that correspond to menu commands and are given in the resource file. MacApp does not implement auto-key events (automatic repeating of keys held down) with Command-key combinations. If you want to implement auto-key Command-key combinations, you must override this method.

**Call** Never

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## DoMakeDocument

```
FUNCTION TApplication.DoMakeDocument(itsCmdNumber: CmdNumber): TDocument;
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<b>ItsCmdNumber</b>	Indicates the type of document that should be created. In applications with different document types, the command number indicates which menu command the user picked or, if the user opened an existing document, the command number is the one returned by TApplication.KindOfDocument.
<b>The return value</b>	A document object
<b>Purpose</b>	To create a document for the application. It is called when the user starts up the application, opens a document with the New or Open command, and in other cases when the application needs to create a document.
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.OpenNew, TApplication.OpenOld, and TApplication.PrintDocument
<b>The default version</b>	Calls ProgramBreak to halt the program. (You must override this method.)
<b>Override</b>	Always. Your implementation of this method creates and initializes a document of your application's type. If your application has multiple document types, your implementation of this method creates different document types depending on the value of itsCmdNumber. See the "Creating a Document" recipe in the Cookbook for details on this method.
<b>Call</b>	Sometimes. You may call this method to create a document, but most commonly, this method is called by MacApp.

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## DoMenuCommand

FUNCTION TApplication.DoMenuCommand(aCmdNumber: CmdNumber): TCommand; OVERRIDE;

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**aCmdNumber** The command number of the menu command chosen by the user

**The return value** A command object that will carry out the command (and possibly undo and redo the command) or gNoChanges

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**Purpose** To handle menu commands that apply to the application as a whole

**Called by** TApplication.MenuEvent when there is a menu command and gTarget is a reference to the application object, or by another object's DoMenuCommand method when no other object has handled the menu command

**The default version** Handles the MacApp defined standard menu commands Quit, New, Open, Close, Undo, Redo, ShowClipboard, About <Appname>, and the Debug menu commands

**Originally declared by** TEvtHandler

**Override** Often. You override this method to handle commands you define for your application object. In general, TYourApplication.DoMenuCommand handles the commands that apply to the application as a whole. When your implementation does not handle the command, you should end your override method by calling INHERITED DoMenuCommand, so that the MacApp method can handle its commands.

**Call** You always call this method if you override it. Otherwise, you never call it.

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## DoSetupMenus

PROCEDURE TApplication.DoSetupMenus; OVERRIDE;

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**Purpose** To set up the menu commands handled by the corresponding DoMenuCommand method. It is called before the menus are displayed when they may have changed since the last time DoSetupMenus was called.

**The default version** Sets up menu commands handled by TApplication.DoMenuCommand

**Originally declared by** TEvtHandler

**Override** Often. You must override this method if you override TApplication.DoMenuCommand. Your override method must set up the menu commands handled by TYourApplication.DoMenuCommand. Begin your method by calling INHERITED DoMenuCommand so the MacApp methods can set up their menu commands first. See the "Changing Menu Appearance and Function" recipe in the Cookbook for more details.

**Call** You always call this method if you override it. Otherwise, you never call it.

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## EachFreeWindow

```
PROCEDURE TApplication.EachFreeWindow(PROCEDURE DoToWindow(aWindow: TWindow));
```

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**DoToWindow** A procedure that will be passed each free window in turn

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**Purpose** To apply DoToWindow to all windows in the free window list. A free window is one that belongs to the application instead of to a document. (An example is the palette window in MacPaint.)

**Called by** Your code and TApplication.ForAllWindowsDo

**Override** Never

**Call** You might call this method if you have free windows.

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## ForAllDocumentsDo

```
PROCEDURE TApplication.ForAllDocumentsDo(PROCEDURE DoToDoc(aDocument: TDocument));
```

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**DoToDoc** A procedure, usually local to the caller, that ForAllDocumentsDo calls repeatedly, passing each of the documents in turn

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**Purpose** To perform an operation on all documents of an application

**The default version** Automatically scans through the list of documents and calls DoToDoc once for each document

**Called by** TApplication.AlreadyOpen, TApplication.Close, and TApplication.ForAllWindowsDo

**Override** Never

**Call** Sometimes

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## ForAllWindowsDo

```
PROCEDURE TApplication.ForAllWindowsDo(PROCEDURE DoToWind(aWindow: TWindow));
```

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**DoToWind** A procedure, usually local to the caller, that ForAllWindowsDo calls repeatedly, passing each window in turn

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**Purpose** To perform an operation on all windows of an application

**The default version** Calls DoToWind once for each window of all documents of the application and for any documentless windows

**Override** Never

**Call** Sometimes

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## GetDataToPaste

```
FUNCTION TApplication.GetDataToPaste(aDataHandle: Handle; VAR dataType: ResType):  
LONGINT;
```

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**aDataHandle** A handle for Clipboard data

**dataType** A data type that is passed back to you

**The return value** If nonzero, indicates an error

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**Purpose** To get data for pasting from the Clipboard

**Called by** Your methods

**Override** Rarely

**Call** You can call this method if you implement the Paste command. You allocate an empty handle, and then pass it to this method. The dataType is not set here; it is one of the resource types you tell MacApp you can handle when you call CanPaste (a MacApp global routine). The data may come from data cut or copied from your application or it may come from the desk scrap.

See the "Paste" recipe in the Cookbook for more information.

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## GetEvent

```
PROCEDURE TApplication.GetEvent(eventMask: INTEGER; sleep: LONGINT; cursorRgn: RgnHandle; VAR anEvent: EventRecord): BOOLEAN;
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<b>eventMask</b>	A mask indicating the kind of events wanted
<b>sleep</b>	The minimum number of ticks that can elapse before returning from WaitNextEvent.
<b>cursorRgn</b>	A region, in global screen coordinates, in which the cursor will not change.
<b>anEvent</b>	The event obtained
<b>The return value</b>	Indicates whether or not an event was obtained

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<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.PollEvent and TApplication.UpdateAllWindows
<b>The default version</b>	Calls the Inside Macintosh routine GetNextEvent or WaitNextEvent
<b>Override</b>	Sometimes. You override this method so that you can get events from another source. See Inside Macintosh for information on posting events.
<b>Call</b>	Never

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## IApplication

```
PROCEDURE TApplication.IApplication(itsMainFileType: OSType);
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<b>itsMainFileType</b>	The unique four-letter type code for the main document files used by the application
<b>Called by</b>	IYourApplication
<b>The default version</b>	Initializes a number of global variables and otherwise initializes the application
<b>Override</b>	Never. Instead of overriding this method, you generally write a new method with a name of the form IYourApplication.
<b>Call</b>	Always. You always call this method from IYourApplication.

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## Idle

```
PROCEDURE TApplication.Idle(phase: IdlePhase);
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<b>phase</b>	The current part of the idle sequence: idleBegin, idleContinue, or idleEnd
<b>Purpose</b>	This method is called when all events have been handled and there are no pending events.
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.PollEvent and TApplication.GetEvent
<b>The default version</b>	Begins by setting up the menus, if they need to be set up, and then gives each event handler that needs idling a chance to run its DoIdle method
<b>Override</b>	Rarely
<b>Call</b>	Never

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## InstallCohandler

```
PROCEDURE TApplication.InstallCohandler(aCohandler: TEvtHandler; addIt: BOOLEAN);
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<b>aCohandler</b>	The handler you want to add to or remove from the cohandler list
<b>addIt</b>	Indicates whether aCohandler should be added to (TRUE) or deleted from (FALSE) the cohandler list
<b>Purpose</b>	To add or remove cohandlers from the cohandler list
<b>The default version</b>	Adds aCohandler to the cohandler list if addIt is TRUE and deletes it if addIt is FALSE. If aCohandler is deleted from the list, it is not freed.
<b>Override</b>	Never
<b>Call</b>	You always call this method if you have cohandlers.

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## KindOfDocument

```
FUNCTION TApplication.KindOfDocument(itsCmdNumber: CmdNumber; itsPAppFile: PAppFile):  
CmdNumber;
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<b>ItsCmdNumber</b>	Either the command number from DoMenuCommand or cFinderNew, cFinderPrint, or cFinderOpen
<b>ItsPAppFile</b>	A pointer to an AppFile record or NIL. If not NIL, itsPAppFile^.fileType gives the four-character file type, which is usually all you need to decide what type of document is needed. If NIL, this is a new document, so there is no existing document from which to get information.
<b>The return value</b>	A command number to pass to DoMakeDocument

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<b>Purpose</b>	To fix the command number whenever DoMakeDocument is called if the application has more than one kind of document type. It is called by MacApp.
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.OpenNew, TApplication.OpenOld, and TApplication.PrintDocument
<b>The default version</b>	Returns itsCmdNumber
<b>Override</b>	You always override this method if your application has more than one kind of document. When the user opens an existing document, your implementation of this method uses itsPAppFile to determine what kind of document object should be created. The command number you return is normally the same as the command number for the New menu command the user would choose to create a new document. (In applications with multiple document types, you usually have different New menu commands for different document types.)
<b>Call</b>	Never

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## LaunchClipboard

```
PROCEDURE TApplication.LaunchClipboard;
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<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.Run
<b>The default version</b>	Starts up the Clipboard by creating a view and a window for it
<b>Override</b>	Rarely
<b>Call</b>	Never

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## MainEventLoop

PROCEDURE TApplication.MainEventLoop;

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<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.Run
<b>The default version</b>	Loops until the application begins to terminate. Events are dispatched from this method and the Idle method is called from this method.
<b>Override</b>	Rarely. You might override this method to change the progress of the event loop. If you do, examine the implementation of TApplication.MainEventLoop in UMacApp.TApplication.p.
<b>Call</b>	Never

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## MakeViewForAlienClipboard

FUNCTION TApplication.MakeViewForAlienClipboard: TView;

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**The return value** A Clipboard view

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<b>Purpose</b>	To make a view to show the public scrap when the application has just started or has returned from a desk accessory or another application and the desk scrap contains data from another application or from another instance of this application
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.ReadFromDeskScrap
<b>The default version</b>	Creates a view that can show PICT or TEXT data
<b>Override</b>	Usually. In your implementation, you check the desk scrap to see if it has data in one of the forms your application can handle (presumably because the data came originally from this application or another application that creates compatible data). If data is there in that form, you create a view of one of your application's types to show the data and return that view. Otherwise, you call INHERITED MakeViewForAlienClipboard so that that method can show the PICT or TEXT data. See "The Clipboard" in the Cookbook for more information.
<b>Call</b>	You always call this method if you override it, in which case you call it by using INHERITED.

---

## OpenNew

PROCEDURE TApplication.OpenNew(itsCmdNumber: CmdNumber);

---

<b>itsCmdNumber</b>	The command number that resulted in this call
<b>Purpose</b>	To create a new document, including the views and windows for the document. It is called whenever a new document is needed, either when the application starts up or when the user chooses the New command.
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.DoMenuCommand and TApplication.HandleFinderRequest
<b>The default version</b>	Calls DoMakeDocument, DoInitialState, DoMakeViews, DoMakeWindows, and ShowWindows
<b>Override</b>	Rarely. You may override this method if you don't want a new document to be automatically created when the application starts without the user opening an existing document. To do that, you can test the value of itsCmdNumber. If itsCmdNumber = cFinderNew, you should not create the new document. See the UMacApp source text for other details of the implementation to be certain you do everything necessary.
<b>Call</b>	Never

---

## OpenOld

PROCEDURE TApplication.OpenOld(itsOpenCmd: CmdNumber; anAppFile: AppFile);

---

<b>itsOpenCmd</b>	The command number that resulted in this call
<b>anAppFile</b>	An AppFile record
<b>Purpose</b>	This method is called whenever an existing document is opened, either when the application starts up or after the user chooses the Open command.
<b>The default version</b>	Calls DoMakeDocument, DoReadFromFile, DoMakeViews, DoMakeWindows, and ShowWindows
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.DoMenuCommand and TApplication.HandleFinderRequest
<b>Override</b>	Rarely
<b>Call</b>	Never

---

## PerformCommand

PROCEDURE TApplication.PerformCommand(command: TCommand);

---

**command**                      A command object to carry out the most recent command

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**Purpose**                        To carry out a command that is not gNoChanges

**Called by**                    TApplication.HandleEvent

**The default version**        If either the fCanUndo or the fChangesDocument flag is TRUE, TApplication.CommitLastCommand sets gLastCommand to the new command, sets the command's fTarget field to gTarget, sets the command's fCmdDone field to TRUE, and calls command.DoIt. If the command is undoable, the default version puts the command's name in the Undo command. If fChangedDocument <math>\neq</math> NIL and fChangesDocument = TRUE, the default version increments the document's change count.

**Override**                    Rarely

**Call**                         Never

---

## PrintDocument

FUNCTION TApplication.PrintDocument(anAppFile: AppFile): BOOLEAN;

---

**anAppFile**                    An AppFile record

**The return value**            Whether or not the document was printed

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**Called by**                    TApplication.HandleFinderRequest to handle a Print command from the Finder

**The default version**        Calls DoMakeDocument, ReadFromFile, and DoMakeViews, telling each that this is being done just for printing, and then calls document.Print for the new document

**Override**                    Rarely

**Call**                         Never

---



## Run

PROCEDURE TApplication.Run;

---

<b>Called by</b>	Your main program after you create and initialize your application object
<b>The default version</b>	Does some initialization, calls TApplication.HandleFinderRequest, and then calls MainEventLoop. When MainEventLoop returns, Run calls AboutToLoseControl and CleanUpMacApp.
<b>Override</b>	Rarely. If you want to do something different before calling MainEventLoop, examine the implementation of that method in the UMacApp source to see the details of its implementation. In general, though, it is better to create a different method, and call that before calling Run.
<b>Call</b>	Always

---

## SetUndoText

PROCEDURE TApplication.SetUndoText(cmdDone: BOOLEAN; aCmdNumber: CmdNumber);

---

<b>cmdDone</b>	Indicates whether this command is in do or redo phase (TRUE) or in undo phase (FALSE)
<b>aCmdNumber</b>	The command number for the Undo menu command

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<b>Purpose</b>	To set the text for the Undo menu command
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.SetupTheMenus
<b>The default version</b>	Changes the text to Redo if cmdDone = FALSE and back to Undo if cmdDone = TRUE
<b>Override</b>	Rarely
<b>Call</b>	Never

---

## ShowError

```
PROCEDURE TApplication.ShowError(error: OSErr; message: LONGINT);
```

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<b>error</b>	An error number
<b>message</b>	A failure message. See the "Failure Handling" recipe in the Cookbook for more information.

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<b>Purpose</b>	To display an error message
<b>Called by</b>	Failure handlers
<b>The default version</b>	Calls the global procedure ErrorAlert
<b>Override</b>	Sometimes. You override this method if you want a different error message to be displayed.
<b>Call</b>	Sometimes

---

## SFGetParms

```
PROCEDURE TApplication.SFGetParms(itsCmdNumber: CmdNumber; VAR dlgID: INTEGER; VAR
where: Point;
                                VAR fileFilter, dlgHook, filterProc: ProcPtr; typeList:
HTypeList);
```

---

<b>itsCmdNumber</b>	The command number that resulted in this method call
<b>dlgID</b>	The resource ID for the dialog box that should be displayed
<b>where</b>	The position of the upper left corner of the dialog box in global coordinates
<b>fileFilter</b>	A pointer to a filter function that determines which files appear in the dialog box, or NIL. If NIL, no filter function is executed.
<b>dlgHook</b>	A pointer to a function that handles dialog items, or NIL. If NIL, no function is executed.
<b>filterProc</b>	A pointer to a function that filters events, or NIL. If NIL, no standard filtering is done.
<b>typeList</b>	A valid handle to a zero-length block

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<b>Purpose</b>	To get parameters that should be passed to SFGetFile, which is an Inside Macintosh procedure that displays a dialog box listing files that can be opened by the application
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.CanOpenDocument and TApplication.ChooseDocument
<b>The default version</b>	Returns these values: dlgID = getDlgID where = (100, 100) fileFilter = NIL dlgHook = NIL filterProc = NIL  The typeList parameter returns the main file type supported by the application.
<b>Override</b>	Sometimes. You can override this method to return different parameter values. If the application supports all file types, you should make typeList empty. See Inside Macintosh for more information on the parameters of this method.
<b>Call</b>	Rarely. If you do call this method, you must set typeList to a valid handle and free the handle afterwards.

---

## SFPutParms

```
PROCEDURE TApplication.SFPutParms(itsCmdNumber: CmdNumber; VAR dlgID: INTEGER; VAR
where: Point;
                                VAR prompt, defaultName: Str255; VAR dlgHook, filterProc:
ProcPtr);
```

---

<b>itsCmdNumber</b>	The command number that resulted in this method call
<b>dlgID</b>	The dialog box that should be displayed
<b>where</b>	The position of the upper left corner of the dialog box
<b>prompt</b>	The prompt string that should be added to the dialog box
<b>defaultName</b>	The default name used in the dialog; it must be initialized to a valid string when this method is called.
<b>dlgHook</b>	A pointer to a function that handles dialog items, or NIL. If NIL, no function is executed.
<b>filterProc</b>	A pointer to a function that filters events, or NIL. If NIL, no standard filtering is done.

---

**Purpose** To return all the parameters that should be passed to SFPutFile

**The default version** Returns these values:

**dlgID** = putDlgID  
where = (100, 100)  
prompt = prompt from resource file  
dlgHook = NIL  
filterProc = NIL

The defaultName parameter is left alone.

**Override** Sometimes. You can override this method to change the default values.

**Call** Rarely

---

## TrackCursor

FUNCTION TApplication.TrackCursor: BOOLEAN;

---

**The return value**            Whether a view set the cursor shape.

---

**Purpose**                        To track the mouse pointer while the mouse button is up

**Called by**                    TApplication.Idle

**The default version**        Checks the location of the mouse and calls HandleCursor for the window in which the mouse is located

**Override**                    Sometimes. You can override this method to do something else while the mouse button is up. If you do that, you generally call INHERITED TrackCursor.

**Call**                         Never (except by calling INHERITED TrackCursor when you override it)

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## TDocument

**Customize:** always  
**Instantiate:** never  
**Call methods:** rarely

The document object controls the data of the document.

Almost every application must define at least one descendant of TDocument for its own document type. The only exception is for "documentless" applications, in which the application icon is always opened.

You generally add fields to your document type to store the views of the document.

If your application has more than one kind of document, you usually create more than one descendant of TDocument, one for each kind of document. For example, an integrated application might have a TTextDocument, a TSpreadSheetDocument, and a TGraphicsDocument type.

Most MacApp applications can have several document objects at a time, which may all be of a single type or may be of different types. The document objects are stored in a TList object stored in gDocList.

Each document object can have one document file. You can use the data and resource forks of the file or use either fork alone. Normally, the entire contents of the file is read into memory when the file is opened, but support is provided for disk-based documents. If the resource fork is used, the document's resource file is on top of the resource file list when DoRead and DoWrite are called. Otherwise, you need to call UseResFile to make sure that the right resource file is on top.

When a document is saved, MacApp normally saves the altered version of the document to a new file and then, when the save operation has been successfully completed, renames the new version of the file, erasing the old version.

A number of the fields of TDocument determine whether the data and resource forks of the file are both opened and how the file is treated when it is saved:

- `fDataOpen` and `fRsrcOpen` determine whether or not the data and resource forks of the file should be kept open at all times. Most applications set both to FALSE. An application can have either or both TRUE if the application uses disk-based documents.

*Note:* Keeping resource files open at all times is usually a bad idea because of the space required for multiple resource maps and the slow searching of multiple files (especially with the 64K ROM). We recommend that `keepsRsrcOpen` always be FALSE.

- `fDataPerm` and `fRsrcPerm` determine what permission is used to open each fork of the file. Each of those can have the values
  - `fsRdPerm`, for read-only permission
  - `fsWrPerm`, for write-only permission
  - `fsRdWrPerm`, for read and write permission
  - `fsRdWrShPerm`, for shared permission
- `fSaveInPlace` determines what happens when there isn't enough disk space to save a copy of the file instead of writing over the original. Its values can be
  - `sipNever`, to indicate that the original file should never be overwritten
  - `sipAlways`, to indicate that the original file should always be overwritten when there is not enough space for a copy
  - `sipAskUser`, to indicate that the user should be asked whether or not the original file should be overwritten when there is not enough space for a copy

See the description of IDocument for information on how these fields are initialized.

Programmers who want to implement work files such as MacWrite uses should open them in `TYourDocument`. `IYourDocument` and close them in `TYourDocument.Free`. `TYourDocument.FreeData` should reset the work file to the same state set by `IYourDocument`. `TYourDocument.DoInitialState` should set up the work file for an empty document (if necessary) and `TYourDocument.DoRead` should set up the work file for an existing document (if necessary). `fSaveExists` is a reliable indicator of whether a main document file exists or not (and, if `fDataOpen` or `fRsrcOpen` is TRUE, whether the corresponding `refNum` is valid).

**Ancestors:** `TObject`, `TEvtHandler`

## Fields

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`fChangeCount`: LONGINT; The number of changes since the last time the document was saved

`fCommitOnSave`: BOOLEAN; Whether to commit the last command when saving this document, *if* that command affects the document. The default is TRUE.

`fCreator`: OSType; A four-character code giving the document's creator.

`fDataOpen`: BOOLEAN; Whether or not the data fork of the document file should be kept open at all times. This is FALSE except for disk-based documents

`fDataPerm`: INTEGER; The permission used to open the data fork of the file: `fsRdPerm`, `fsWrPerm`, `fsRdWrPerm`, or `fsRdWrShPerm`

`fDataRefNum`: INTEGER; The reference number for the data fork of the document file, if that fork is open

`fDocPrintHandler`: TPrintHandler; The object that enables and executes the Print, Print One, and Page Setup commands

`fFileType`: OSType; A four-character code giving the type of the document file

`fModDate`: LONGINT; File modification date representing when the file was last read or saved.

`fPrintInfo`: Handle; Either NIL or a handle to a 120-byte print information record

`fReopenAlert`: BOOLEAN; Whether to give an alert if the user attempts to reopen a document. The default is TRUE.

`fRsrcOpen`: BOOLEAN; Whether or not the resource fork of the document file should be kept open at all times

`fRsrcPerm`: INTEGER; The permission used to open the resource fork of the file: `fsRdPerm`, `fsWrPerm`, `fsRdWrPerm`, or `fsRdWrShPerm`

`fRsrcRefNum`: INTEGER; The reference number of document file's resource fork, if it is open.

`fSaveExists`: BOOLEAN; Whether or not a disk file representing this document exists; in other words, whether or not this document has ever been saved

`fSaveInPlace`: SIPChoice; The value that determines what happens when there isn't room on the disk to save the document in a new file, rather than writing over the old version of the document (when the old version is overwritten, the file is "saved inplace"): `sipNever`, `sipAlways`, or `sipAskUser`

`fSavePrintInfo`: BOOLEAN; When this is set to TRUE and the document is saved, `TDocument.DoWrite` writes the print information record of the `fDocPrintHandler` to the data fork of the document file. If this is TRUE, when the document is read, the print information record is read by `TDocument.DoRead`.

`fSharePrintInfo`: BOOLEAN; When this is set to TRUE, all print handlers associated with views belonging to this document will share the same print information record. (This value determines whether or not they will share that record.)

fTitle: STRING[63];      The name of the document file  
fUsesRsrcFork: BOOLEAN;    Whether or not the document uses the resource fork of the file  
fUsesDataFork: BOOLEAN;    Whether or not the document uses the data fork of the file  
fViewList: TList;          The list of views that render this document's data  
fVolRefNum: INTEGER;        The volume reference number of the document file  
fWindowList: TList;         The list of windows belonging to this document

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## Close

PROCEDURE TDocument.Close;

---

**Purpose**                    To close and free a document. This method must never be called for a document related to a view in the Clipboard.

**Called by**                 TApplication.Close and TWindow.CloseByUser

**The default version**       If the document's data has changed, a dialog is posed asking the user to save changes. If the user cancels nothing further happens. If the user chooses yes the document's Save method is called and, if necessary, the last command is committed, all of the document's windows are closed, and the document is freed.

**Override**                 Sometimes

**Call**                     Sometimes

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## DoInitialState

PROCEDURE TDocument.DoInitialState;

---

**Called by**                 MacApp methods when the user chooses the New command, when the user chooses the Revert command and there is no saved file, and when the user opens the application icon. It does any additional initialization of the document that is not done when an existing document is opened.

**The default version**       Does nothing

**Override**                 Often. You should override this method when new documents need initialization not done when existing documents are opened.

**Call**                     Never

---



## DoMakeWindows

PROCEDURE TDocument.DoMakeWindows;

---

<b>Purpose</b>	Primarily, to maintain compatibility with MacApp 1.x by providing the ability to create window objects for a document. This method is called after a document is opened, initialized, and has its views created. This method should create the windows and frames to show the views.
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.OpenNew and TApplication.OpenOld
<b>The default version</b>	Does nothing.
<b>Override</b>	Sometimes. In your implementation, you may wish to distinguish between views that represent windows and views that represent data.
<b>Call</b>	Never

---

## DoMakeViews

PROCEDURE TDocument.DoMakeViews(forPrinting: BOOLEAN);

---

<b>forPrinting</b>	Tells you whether or not MacApp called this in response to the user requesting printing of a document from the Finder. If your application creates views that are not printed (such as palette views), you do not need to create them when forPrinting is TRUE.
<b>Purpose</b>	To create the windows and views for a document, both the views that interpret the document's data and those, like palettes, that are independent of the data. It is called after a document is created and initialized and before the windows are created.
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.OpenNew, TApplication.OpenOld, and TApplication.PrintDocument
<b>The default version</b>	Calls ProgramBreak to halt the program
<b>Override</b>	Always. Your implementation creates all views for the document and stores the views in a field of the document object. See the "Creating a View" recipe in the Cookbook for details on how to implement this method.
<b>Call</b>	Never

---

## DoMenuCommand

```
FUNCTION TDocument.DoMenuCommand(aCmdNumber: CmdNumber): TCommand; OVERRIDE;
```

---

<b>aCmdNumber</b>	The command number of the menu command chosen by the user
<b>The return value</b>	A command object that will carry out the command (and possibly undo and redo the command) or gNoChanges
<b>Purpose</b>	To handle menu commands defined for this particular object type
<b>Originally declared by</b>	TEvtHandler
<b>The default version</b>	Handles the MacApp-defined standard menu commands Save As, Save a Copy In, Save, and Revert
<b>Override</b>	Often. You override this method when your application has its own menu commands that apply to the document as a whole. In that case, you end your method by calling INHERITED DoMenuCommand so that the MacApp method can handle its commands.
<b>Call</b>	You call this method when you override it. Otherwise, you never call it.

---

## DoNeedDiskSpace

```
PROCEDURE TDocument.DoNeedDiskSpace(VAR dataForkBytes, rsrcForkBytes: LONGINT);
```

---

**dataForkBytes** Indicates the amount of disk space the document needs to save itself. This is set by this method.

**rsrcForkBytes** Indicates the amount of disk space the document needs to save itself. This is set by this method.

---

**Purpose** To return the amount of disk space needed to save the document

**The default version** Returns 0 for dataForkBytes unless fSavePrintInfo is TRUE, in which case it returns the size of the print information record, and sets rsrcForkBytes to 0 unless fUsesRsrcFork is TRUE, in which case it sets it to the standard fixed overhead value for the resource file. (See the Resource Manager chapter of Inside Macintosh for more information.)

**Override** Almost always. Documents that do not override DoNeedDiskSpace generally cannot save any data except the print information record.

Your override method should accurately predict how much disk space will be needed to store the data and resources for the documents. (Most documents have no resources, so the resource fork value is usually 0.) When you calculate your values, you do not have to calculate how many blocks are actually needed, just the number of bytes since MacApp automatically accounts for an integral number of blocks. Also, you should add your needs to the initial values of these variables, as MacApp may have already set them to some value before calling this method. If you use the resource fork, you can use the constants kRsrcTypeOverhead and kRsrcOverhead to account for the resource file overhead for each resource type and individual resource, respectively.

If there isn't enough space in the target volume, MacApp tests whether deleting the old file would make enough room. If it would, what happens next depends on the value of fSaveInPlace. See the notes at the beginning of "TDocument" in this chapter for more information. If deleting the file would not make enough space (or is precluded by the value of fSaveInPlace or the user's actions), MacApp issues a disk full error and the user is shown an alert to that effect.

**Call** Never

---

## DoRead

```
PROCEDURE TDocument.DoRead(aRefNum: INTEGER; rsrcExists, forPrinting: BOOLEAN);
```

---

<b>aRefNum</b>	A file-system reference number for the document file. It is obtained from the Operating System by MacApp. If the document doesn't use the data fork (that is, it uses only the file's resource fork), aRefNum is 0.
<b>rsrcExists</b>	Indicates whether or not the resource fork of the file exists. If it is FALSE, and the document uses the resource fork, it means that the resource fork could not be opened (presumably because it does not yet exist).
<b>forPrinting</b>	TRUE if the document is being opened just to print it (for printing from the Finder)

---

<b>Purpose</b>	To read an existing document file so its data can be used in the document object
<b>The default version</b>	Reads the print information record if fSavePrintInfo is TRUE for this document object. Otherwise, it does nothing.
<b>Override</b>	<p>Almost always. Documents that do not override this method cannot save or restore anything except their print information record.</p> <p>If your document uses the resource fork and the resource fork exists, then MacApp will ensure that the topmost resource file is that of the document when this method is called. You may want to get the reference number of the resource file at the start of this method if you think that some other method might change the top resource file.</p> <p>Your implementation generally begins with a call to INHERITED DoRead so that the print information record is read, if necessary. It then reads the data of the document and stores it in fields or objects available to the document object. You should check the rsrcExists parameter before trying to read the resource fork. (It is possible that the user opened a document with no resource fork. MacApp does not consider this an error.)</p> <p>See the "Saving and Restoring Data" recipe in the Cookbook for details about implementing this method.</p>
<b>Call</b>	You call this method if you override it. When you override this method, you usually call it (by calling INHERITED DoRead). Otherwise, you never call it.

---

## DoSetupMenus

PROCEDURE TDocument.DoSetupMenus; OVERRIDE;

---

<b>Purpose</b>	To set up menu commands handled by TDocument.DoMenuCommand. This method is called before any menu is displayed when the menus may have changed since the last time it was called or from the idle loop, again when the menus may have changed since the last time this was called. It is responsible for adorning and enabling or disabling all menu commands handled by the document.
<b>Originally declared by</b>	TEvtHandler
<b>The default version</b>	Begins by calling INHERITED DoSetupMenus. It then sets up the menu commands handled by TDocument.DoMenuCommand: Save As, Save a Copy In, Save, and Revert.
<b>Override</b>	Often. You override this method if you define any menu commands that apply to your document. In general, you override this method whenever you override TDocument.DoMenuCommand. Your implementation must begin by calling INHERITED DoSetupMenus so that MacApp can set up the menus first. Then, you use the global procedures Enable and EnableCheck to enable any menu commands that can currently be used. (EnableCheck, like Enable, can enable or disable menu commands. EnableCheck also can add or remove a check mark next to a menu item.) You can also adorn menus in other ways. See the "Changing Menu Appearance and Function" recipe in the Cookbook for more detailed information.
<b>Call</b>	You usually call this method when you override it. Otherwise, you never call it.

---

## DoWrite

```
PROCEDURE TDocument.DoWrite(aRefNum: INTEGER; makingCopy: BOOLEAN);
```

---

<b>aRefNum</b>	A file-system reference number for the document file. It is obtained from the Operating System by MacApp.
<b>makingCopy</b>	Indicates whether DoWrite is being called to save a copy of the document. (Generally used only for disk-based documents.)

---

<b>Purpose</b>	To save a document's data to a disk file
<b>The default version</b>	Saves the print information record to the disk file if fSavePrintInfo is TRUE. Otherwise, it does nothing.
<b>Override</b>	<p>Almost always. Documents that do not override this method cannot save or restore anything except their print information record.</p> <p>Your implementation generally begins with a call to INHERITED DoWrite so that the print information record is saved, if necessary. It then saves the document's data.</p> <p>If your document uses the resource fork and the resource fork exists, then MacApp will ensure that the topmost resource file is that of the document when this method is called. You may want to get the reference number of the resource file at the start of this method if you think that some other method might change the top resource file.</p> <p>See the "Saving and Restoring Data" recipe in the Cookbook for details of this method.</p>
<b>Call</b>	You call this method when you override it (by calling INHERITED DoWrite). Otherwise, you never call it.

---

## ForAllViewsDo

```
PROCEDURE TDocument.ForAllViewsDo(PROCEDURE DoToView(aView: TView));
```

---

<b>DoToView</b>	A procedure, usually local to the caller, that is called repeatedly by ForAllViewsDo and passed each of the views in turn
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<b>Purpose</b>	To perform an operation on all views of a document
<b>The default version</b>	Calls DoToView once for each view in the document's view list
<b>Override</b>	Never
<b>Call</b>	Sometimes

---

## ForAllWindowsDo

```
PROCEDURE TDocument.ForAllWindowsDo(PROCEDURE DoToWind(aWindow: TWindow));
```

---

**DoToWind** A procedure, usually local to the caller, that is called repeatedly by ForAllWindowsDo and passed each window of this document in turn

---

**Purpose** To perform an operation on all windows of a document

**The default version** Automatically scans through the document's list of windows and calls DoToWind once for each window

**Override** Never

**Call** Sometimes

---

## FreeData

```
PROCEDURE TDocument.FreeData;
```

---

**Purpose** To free the document's data objects during a revert operation

**Called by** TDocument.Revert

**The default version** Does nothing

**Override** Always. You override this method to free data objects that should be freed when the user chooses the Revert command.

**Call** Sometimes. You may want to call this method from your implementation of TDocument.Free, if convenient.

---

## FreeFile

```
PROCEDURE TDocument.FreeFile;
```

---

**Purpose** To free resources associated with the connection between a TDocument object and a disk file

**Called by** TDocument.Free, TDocument.SaveViaTemp, and TDocument.SaveInPlace

**The default version** Closes the appropriate forks of the file if fDataOpen or fRsrcOpen and fSaveExists are TRUE

**Override** Sometimes

**Call** Rarely

---

## FreeFromClipboard

PROCEDURE TDocument.FreeFromClipboard;

---

<b>Purpose</b>	To free a Clipboard document
<b>Called by</b>	TView.FreeFromClipboard
<b>The default version</b>	Removes gClipWindow from fWindowList and calls Free
<b>Override</b>	Sometimes. You can override this method to do something other than Free.
<b>Call</b>	Never

---

## GetTempName

PROCEDURE TDocument.GetTempName (VAR fileName: Str255);

---

<b>fileName</b>	A name for a temporary document file
<b>Purpose</b>	To generate a random temporary filename
<b>The default version</b>	Appends a mutated form of the time of day to the name of the document or, if the document is untitled, to the name of the application
<b>Override</b>	Rarely
<b>Call</b>	Sometimes

---



## **IDocument**

```
PROCEDURE TDocument.IDocument(itsFileType, itsCreator: OSType;  
    usesDataFork, usesRsrcFork, keepsDataOpen, keepsRsrcOpen: BOOLEAN);
```

---

<b>itsFileType</b>	The file type for the document file
<b>itsCreator</b>	The signature of the application that created the document file
<b>usesDataFork</b>	Indicates whether (kUsesDataFork) or not (NOT kUsesDataFork) the document uses the data fork of the file
<b>usesRsrcFork</b>	Indicates whether (kUsesRsrcFork) or not (NOT kUsesRsrcFork) the document uses the resource fork of the file
<b>keepsDataOpen</b>	Indicates whether (kDataOpen) or not (NOT kDataOpen) the data fork of the file should be kept open at all times
<b>keepsRsrcOpen</b>	Indicates whether (kRsrcOpen) or not (NOT kRsrcOpen) the resource fork of the file should be kept open at all times

---

**Purpose** To initialize a TDocument object. It is usually called from the initialization method of customizations of TDocument.

**The default version** Gives these values to the fields of TDocument:

```
fWindowList := NewList;  
fViewList := NewList;  
fDocPrintHandler := NIL;  
fChangeCount := 0;  
fSavePrintInfo := FALSE;  
fSharePrintInfo := TRUE;  
fPrintInfo := NIL;  
fTitle := '';  
fFileType := itsFileType;  
fVolRefNum := 0;  
fReopenAlert := TRUE;  
fSaveExists := FALSE;  
fCommitOnSave := TRUE;  
fCreator := itsCreator;  
fDataPerm := fsRdPerm;  
fRsrcPerm := fsRdPerm; {Has no meaning with 64K ROM}  
fDataOpen := keepsDataOpen;  
fRsrcOpen := keepsRsrcOpen;  
IF keepsDataOpen OR keepsRsrcOpen THEN  
    fSaveInPlace := sipNever  
ELSE  
    fSaveInPlace := sipAskUser;
```

**Override** Never

**Call** You call this method at the beginning of the IYourDocument method that you write for your document type to change any values you need to change and do any additional initialization you require.

---

## SavedOn

```
PROCEDURE TDocument.SavedOn(fileName: Str255; volRefNum: INTEGER);
```

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<b>fileName</b>	The name of the document file
<b>volRefNum</b>	The volume reference number for the file

---

<b>Purpose</b>	To allow the programmer to clean up any data structures or work files to note that a clean save has been made
<b>Called by</b>	TDocument.Save when a new copy of the file is being made (the normal situation)
<b>The default version</b>	Resets fChangeCount to 0, sets fSaveExists to TRUE, replaces fTitle and fVolRefNum with the values passed in, and if fDataOpen or fRsrcOpen is TRUE, opens the appropriate fork
<b>Override</b>	Sometimes
<b>Call</b>	Never

---

## SaveInPlace

```
PROCEDURE TDocument.SaveInPlace(itsCmdNumber: CmdNumber; makingCopy: BOOLEAN; VAR  
fileName: Str255;  
                                volRefNum: INTEGER);
```

---

<b>itsCmdNumber</b>	The command number for this save operation
<b>makingCopy</b>	Whether or not a copy of the original file is being saved
<b>fileName</b>	The name of the document file
<b>volRefNum</b>	The volume reference number for the file

---

<b>Purpose</b>	To save the document, replacing the old version on disk
<b>Called by</b>	TDocument.Save when makingCopy is FALSE and askForFileName is FALSE, and the document cannot or should not be saved via a temporary file
<b>The default version</b>	If fDataOpen and fRsrcOpen are both FALSE, deletes the target file, calls SELF.FreeFile, calls SELF.MakeNewCopy, and then calls SELF.SavedOn. If either fDataOpen or fRsrcOpen is TRUE, the default version does nothing.
<b>Override</b>	Sometime. You can override this method to save a disk-based document in place by modifying the file. If you do, you must set the file's access permission to a modifiable mode before doing so.
<b>Call</b>	Never

---

## SaveViaTemp

```
PROCEDURE TDocument.SaveViaTemp(itsCmdNumber: CmdNumber; makingCopy: BOOLEAN; VAR  
fileName: Str255; volRefNum: INTEGER);
```

---

<b>itsCmdNumber</b>	The command number for this save operation
<b>makingCopy</b>	Whether or not a copy of the original file is being saved
<b>fileName</b>	The name of the document file
<b>volRefNum</b>	The volume reference number for the file

---

<b>Purpose</b>	To save the document into a new, temporary file
<b>Called by</b>	TDocument.Save when a new copy of the file is being made (the normal situation)
<b>The default version</b>	Calls SELF.MakeNewCopy and then calls SELF.FreeFile if makingCopy is FALSE. It then deletes the target (if it exists), renames the file, and calls TDocument.SavedOn if makingCopy is FALSE.
<b>Override</b>	Rarely
<b>Call</b>	Never

---

## SetTitle

```
PROCEDURE TDocument.SetTitle(aTitle: Str255);
```

---

<b>aTitle</b>	The new title for the window
<b>The default version</b>	Sets SELF.fTitle to aTitle and calls SetTitleForDoc for each window of the document
<b>Override</b>	Sometimes
<b>Call</b>	Sometimes

---

## ShowReverted

PROCEDURE TDocument.ShowReverted;

---

<b>Called by</b>	TDocumentDoMenuCommand when the user chooses the Revert command and clicks the OK button in the dialog box that is displayed
<b>The default version</b>	Calls ShowReverted for each view of the document
<b>Override</b>	Rarely
<b>Call</b>	Rarely

---

## ShowWindows

PROCEDURE TDocument.ShowWindows;

---

<b>Purpose</b>	To display a document's windows on the screen. It is called when the document is initially opened
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.OpenNew and TApplication.OpenOld
<b>The default version</b>	Calls OpenWindow for all windows for which fOpenInitially = TRUE
<b>Override</b>	Sometimes. You can override this method to determine in some other way what windows are initially shown.
<b>Call</b>	Never

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## TCommand

**Customize:** usually  
**Instantiate:** never  
**Call methods:** rarely

TCommand objects fall into two general categories: command objects and mouse trackers. The Cookbook includes a number of recipes dealing with different types of command objects and mouse trackers. In general, you override DoIt, UndoIt, RedoIt, and possibly Commit for command objects and trackers that change the document, while you override TrackConstrain, TrackFeedback, and TrackMouse only for mouse trackers.

Command objects and mouse trackers that do not change the document do not need UndoIt, RedoIt, or Commit. In fact, you may never create a command object for many commands that do not change the document; in those cases, you can carry out the action of the command from DoMenuCommand, DoMouseCommand, DoKeyCommand, DoCommandKey, or another method that returns a command object. (In that case, return gNoChanges.)

**Ancestors:** TObject

### Fields

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**fCanUndo:** BOOLEAN; Whether or not this command can be undone. The default is TRUE.

**fCausesChange:** BOOLEAN; Whether or not this command changes the document referred to by the command's fChangedDocument field. This defaults to TRUE. When this is TRUE, the document is automatically marked as changed when this command is done. (If the command is undone, the document's change count is automatically decremented, and if the command is redone, the change count is incremented again.)

**fChangedDocument:** TDocument;  
The document that may be changed by the command. This defaults to gDocument

**fChangesClipboard:** BOOLEAN; Whether or not this command changes the Clipboard. This defaults to FALSE and should be set to TRUE for cut or copy commands that change the Clipboard.

**fCmdNumber:** CmdNumber; The command number associated with the command

**fConstrainsMouse:** BOOLEAN; When this is set to TRUE, this command's TrackConstrain method is called as the mouse moves. This defaults to FALSE.

**fScroller:** TScroller; Either a handle to the scroller used for auto-scrolling or Nil.

**fTarget:** TEvtHandler; The target to set before calling UndoIt or RedoIt. In other words, the value of gTarget when this command was initially given.

**fTrackNonMovement:** BOOLEAN; Whether to call TrackMouse even if the mouse hasn't moved since the last call to TrackMouse. The default is FALSE.

**fView:** TView; The view in which mouse tracking takes place or Nil to track in screen coordinates.

**fViewConstrain:** BOOLEAN; Whether the mouse is constrained to the view. The default is TRUE.

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## Commit

PROCEDURE TCommand.Commit;

---

<b>Purpose</b>	To do anything necessary to make the effects of a command permanent
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.CommitLastCommand, which is called when the command can no longer be undone or redone (usually when a new undoable command is chosen, when the document is closed, or when the application is terminated). It is not called if the command was left undone.
<b>The default version</b>	Does nothing
<b>Override</b>	Often. This method is most commonly used to implement filtered commands or with commands that delete items from the document's data set, in which the deleted items are not freed until the command can no longer be undone.
<b>Call</b>	Rarely

---

## DoIt, RedoIt, UndoIt

PROCEDURE TCommand.DoIt;  
PROCEDURE TCommand.RedoIt;  
PROCEDURE TCommand.UndoIt;

---

<b>Purpose</b>	To do, undo, and redo a command. DoIt is called when the command is initially done; UndoIt is called when the user picks the Undo command an odd number of times; RedoIt is called when the user picks the Undo command an even number of times. DoIt and RedoIt carry out the action of the command (generally, they both call the same methods to do the command, although RedoIt may have to change the selection or otherwise act to restore the state of the document at the time the command was originally done). UndoIt reverses the action of the command.
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.PerformCommand (DoIt) and TApplication.DoMenuCommand (UndoIt and RedoIt)
<b>The default version</b>	Does nothing
<b>Override</b>	Usually. These are the methods that generally carry out (and undo) the action of the command. The only command objects that may not override these methods are mouse trackers and commands that do not change the document or those that cannot be undone.
<b>Call</b>	Almost never. The only likely exception is that your RedoIt method might call DoIt.

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## **ICommand**

```
PROCEDURE TCommand.ICommand(itsCmdNumber: CmdNumber, itsDocument: TDocument; itsView:
TView;
                               itsScroller: TScroller);
```

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<b>ItsCmdNumber</b>	The command number associated with this command
<b>ItsDocument</b>	The document affected by this command
<b>ItsView</b>	The view in which mouse tracking takes place or Nil to track in screen coordinates.
<b>ItsScroller</b>	Either a handle to the scroller used for auto-scrolling or Nil.

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<b>Purpose</b>	To initialize fields of TCommand
<b>Called</b>	Usually from the initialization methods for the immediate descendants of TCommand
<b>The default version</b>	Makes these assignments: fCmdNumber := itsCmdNumber; fCanUndo := TRUE; fCausesChange := TRUE; fChangedDocument := gDocument; fConstrainsMouse := FALSE; fViewConstrain := TRUE; fChangesClipboard := FALSE; fTrackNonMovement := FALSE; fView := itsView; fScroller := itsScroller; fTarget := NIL;
<b>Override</b>	Never. You usually supplement its action with an IYourCommand method.
<b>Call</b>	Always. You call this method as part of command initialization.

---

## TrackConstrain

```
PROCEDURE TCommand.TrackConstrain(anchorPoint, previousPoint: VPoint; VAR nextPoint: VPoint);
```

---

<b>anchorPoint</b>	The position of the mouse pointer, in view coordinates, when the mouse button went down
<b>previousPoint</b>	The position of the mouse pointer the last time this method was called, in view coordinates
<b>nextPoint</b>	The current position of the mouse pointer, in view coordinates
<b>Purpose</b>	To constrain the mouse movement in any way your application requires. It is used only in mouse trackers.
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.TrackMouse (a method you never deal with directly) when command.fConstrainsMouse is TRUE
<b>The default version</b>	Does nothing
<b>Override</b>	Sometimes override this method to change the value of nextPoint. See "Handling Mouse Events" in the Cookbook for further discussion of mouse trackers.
<b>Call</b>	Rarely

---

## TrackFeedback

```
PROCEDURE TCommand.TrackFeedback(anchorPoint, nextPoint: VPoint; turnItOn, mouseDidMove: BOOLEAN);
```

---

<b>anchorPoint</b>	The position, in view coordinates, of the mouse pointer when the mouse button went down
<b>nextPoint</b>	The current position, in view coordinates, of the mouse pointer
<b>turnItOn</b>	Indicates whether the feedback is to be turned on (TRUE) or turned off (FALSE)
<b>mouseDidMove</b>	TRUE if the mouse moved since the last time TrackFeedback was called
<b>Purpose</b>	To provide on-screen feedback for the user while the mouse is being tracked (that is, while the mouse button is down and a mouse tracker object exists)
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.TrackMouse
<b>The default version</b>	Provides "rubberband" feedback: a shadowy box between anchorPoint and nextPoint
<b>Override</b>	Often. You override this method to provide more appropriate feedback while the mouse is tracked. See "Handling Mouse Events" in the Cookbook for further discussion of mouse trackers.
<b>Call</b>	Rarely

---



## TrackMouse

```
FUNCTION TCommand.TrackMouse(aTrackPhase: TrackPhase; VAR anchorPoint, previousPoint,  
                             nextPoint: VPoint; mouseDidMove: BOOLEAN): TCommand;
```

---

<b>aTrackPhase</b>	The current phase of the mouse-tracking process: trackPress when the mouse button first goes down, trackMove while the mouse moves, and trackRelease when the mouse button comes up
<b>anchorPoint</b>	The position of the mouse pointer, in view coordinates, when the mouse button went down. If you change this value, the new value is passed to you the next time this method is called.
<b>previousPoint</b>	The position of the mouse pointer the last time this method was called, in view coordinates
<b>nextPoint</b>	The current position of the mouse pointer, in view coordinates. Although you can change this value, it is better to use TrackConstrain to control mouse movement.
<b>mouseDidMove</b>	TRUE if the mouse moved since the last time TrackFeedback was called. (See "Track Feedback," below.)
<b>The return value</b>	The mouse tracker that will be used in succeeding calls. You generally return SELF, although applications may sometimes return a different mouse tracker object.

---

<b>Purpose</b>	To allow you to carry out any actions (other than feedback or mouse constraint) that depend on the movement of the mouse or on the track phase
<b>Called by</b>	TApplication.TrackMouse when the mouse button first goes down, as the mouse moves, and when the mouse button comes up
<b>The default version</b>	Returns SELF, in effect doing nothing
<b>Override</b>	Often. You override this method to take application-specific action. You should not assume that the mouse should be considered to have moved the first time this is called with an aTrackPhase of trackMove. The track phase is set to trackMove when the mouse moves more than the hysteresis value. SELF.TrackConstrain may set the mouse position back so that no movement should be considered to have occurred. The value of mouseDidMove should be tested to determine whether the mouse should be considered to have moved. See "Handling Mouse Events" in the Cookbook for further discussion of mouse trackers.
<b>Call</b>	Never

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## TList

**Customize:** rarely  
**Instantiate:** often  
**Call methods:** often

TList is defined in UList.

This object type is used in MacApp to store objects and is otherwise provided for your convenience. You do not have to use TList objects.

In general, you store objects of a single type in a TList object, and when you retrieve an object, you coerce the result into a variable of the type you need.

**Ancestor:** TObject

### Fields

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<code>fDeletions: INTEGER;</code>	The number of deleted elements in the list. These have the value <code>kDeletedElement</code> . The <code>fSize</code> field always reflects the number of real elements (that is, without counting these deleted elements). Other objects must not write directly to this field. (You can read its value, though.)
<code>fEachLevel: INTEGER;</code>	The number of Each calls in progress. Other objects must not write directly to this field.
<code>fFirstOffset: LONGINT;</code>	Contains the number of bytes of named fields before the first element. Equal to <code>Sizeof(SELF)</code> . Other objects should neither read nor write to this field.
<code>fSize: INTEGER;</code>	Holds the number of elements in the list

---

### At

```
FUNCTION TList.At(index: INTEGER): TObject;
```

---

<b>Index</b>	The index number of the element you want to retrieve (counting from one)
--------------	--

---

<b>Purpose</b>	To return a specific element from a list
<b>The default version</b>	Returns the requested element. Range checking is done only when the compile flag <code>qRangeCheck</code> is TRUE.
<b>Override</b>	Rarely
<b>Call</b>	Often

---

## Delete

```
PROCEDURE TList.Delete(item: TObject);
```

---

<b>Item</b>	A reference to an object
<b>Purpose</b>	To delete a specific element from the list
<b>The default version</b>	Searches the list for the first reference to the object referred to by item and deletes it. The item is not freed. If there are additional references to the same item in the list, they are not deleted. If the item is found, this method reduces fSize by one.
<b>Override</b>	Rarely. You might override this method to delete all references to the object referred to by item or to free the deleted object.
<b>Call</b>	Often

---

## DeleteAll

```
PROCEDURE TList.DeleteAll;
```

---

<b>Purpose</b>	To delete all elements in a list
<b>The default version</b>	Sets fSize to 0. This deletes all elements from the list but does not free the objects.
<b>Override</b>	Rarely
<b>Call</b>	Often

---

## Each

```
PROCEDURE TList.Each(PROCEDURE DoToItem(item: TObject));
```

---

<b>DoToItem</b>	A procedure (usually local) that is passed each element of the list in turn
<b>Purpose</b>	To apply the procedure DoToItem to every element in a list
<b>The default version</b>	Calls the procedure DoToItem repeatedly, passing each element of the list to that procedure in turn. The actual parameter is typically a procedure whose argument is a descendant of TObject. If DoToItem calls InsertLast, the newly added element will not be passed to DoToItem. If DoToItem calls InsertFirst or DeleteAll, the result is unpredictable.
<b>Override</b>	Rarely
<b>Call</b>	Often

---

## First

```
FUNCTION TList.First: TObject;
```

---

**The return value**            The first element in the list

---

**Purpose**                      To return the first element in a list

**The default version**        Returns the first element in the list, or NIL if there is no first element

**Override**                   Rarely

**Call**                        Often

---

## FirstThat

```
FUNCTION TList.FirstThat(FUNCTION TestItem(item: TObject): BOOLEAN): TObject;
```

---

**TestItem**                    A function, usually local to the caller, which returns TRUE when some condition is met

---

**Purpose**                      To return the first element that fulfills some condition as determined by the function TestItem

**The default version**        Calls TestItem once for each element of the list, in order, until TestItem returns TRUE. It then completes and returns the element that satisfied the test. If none satisfied the test, the method returns NIL. The actual parameter is typically a function whose argument is a descendant of TObject. If TestItem calls InsertLast, the newly added element will not be enumerated. If TestItem calls InsertFirst, Delete, or DeleteAll, the results are unpredictable.

**Override**                   Rarely

**Call**                        Often

---

## IList

```
PROCEDURE TList.IList;
```

---

**Purpose**                      To initialize a new list

**The default version**        Initializes the list, setting fSize to 0

**Override**                   Never. If you customize TList, you might supplement its action with an IYourList method.

**Call**                        Usually. Sometimes, though, you call the global procedure NewList (documented with this object type, not in Chapter 9), which calls this method for you. You should never call this method twice for the same list.

---

## InsertFirst

```
PROCEDURE TList.InsertFirst(item: TObject);
```

---

**Item** An object reference

---

**Purpose** To insert a new element as the first in a list

**The default version** Inserts a reference to the item as the new first element of the list. The index of the new item is 1. All other elements are moved over one. (The old first element is not deleted; it is now the second element.) The value of fSize is increased by one. If the compile flag qDebug is TRUE and SetEltType was called, the item's type is checked to make sure it is of the list's defined element type. (That is only possible if the application and MacApp were compiled with debugging on. See Chapter 11 for more information.)

**Override** Rarely

**Call** Often

---

## InsertLast

```
PROCEDURE TList.InsertLast(item: TObject);
```

---

**Item** An object reference

---

**Purpose** To insert a new element as the last element in a list

**The default version** Inserts a reference to the item as the new last element of the list. The index of the new item is fSize. (The old last element is not deleted; it is now the next-to-last element.) The value of fSize is increased by one. If the compile flag qDebug is TRUE and SetEltType was called, the item's type is checked to make sure it is of the list's defined element type. (That is only possible if the application and MacApp were compiled with debugging on. See Chapter 11 for more information.)

**Override** Rarely

**Call** Often

---

## NewList

```
FUNCTION NewList: TList;
```

---

**Purpose** To create a linked list

**The default version** Creates an object of type TList, calls IList to initialize it, and returns the object

\* **Note:** This is a global procedure. It is documented here because it is important only for TList objects.

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## RemoveDeletions

PROCEDURE TList.RemoveDeletions;

---

<b>Purpose</b>	To remove deleted items from a list. Items deleted by Delete while an Each operation is in progress are replaced by the value kDeletedElement. They cannot be accessed and are not counted in the value of fSize. This method actually removes those elements.
<b>Override</b>	Never
<b>Call</b>	Rarely

---